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(SUBJECT.)

Drugs — Ganja — new shops at Mudabedri — S. Kanara Dt — reopening — sanctioned.

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Ref.No.6892-24-A4. South Kanara Collector's Office,

Mangalore, 6th August 1924.

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From

4979 ABKARI

J. A. Souter, Esquire, I.C.S.,

Collector of South Kanara.

To

The Secretary to the Commissioner of Excise,

Chepauk, Triplicane, Madras.

Sir,

Abkari - Drugs - Ganja - New shop at Mudabidri - Opening for 1925-26 - Proposals.

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pp 2-3 below.

In submitting herewith an extract (paras 3 to 5) from the Udipi Excise Inspector's letter C.R.No.485 dated 13th July 1924, together with an extract (para 2) from the same Officer's letter D.Dis.No.378/23 dated 14th July 1923, I beg to state that the question of opening a new shop at Mudabidri was considered by my predecessor last year in connection with a petition from the villagers received with the Board's C.R.No.3530/A22 dated 6th December 1922. Till 31st March 1915 there was a ganja shop at Mudabidri, but it was considered unnecessary both by the Board and the Government in view of its low rentals due to small consumption of ganja and its situation in an out-of-the way place. Its closure was accordingly ordered by the Board in its Proceedings (Separate Revenue) R.No.22/Abk., dated 11th January 1915, with effect from 1st April 1915. Mr. Wells, after considering these circumstances as also certain other points, found no sufficient reason either to re-open the shop at Mudabidri or to transfer any of the then existing shops to that place.

para 4(a) m. p 133 + p 131 ⊗ Rep 22 Abk 11.1.15

2. The Excise Inspector has now made out a strong case and his recommendation is supported by the Assistant Commissioner and the Tahsildar. There are at present only 16 ganja shops in this District of which only one lies in the Karkal Taluk. This shop is in Karkal Town at a distance of 10 miles from Mudabidri and it is the nearest shop from the place. By opening a new shop at Mudabidri, the number of shops in the Karkal Taluk will be two and that in the District only 17 against the maximum of 20 fixed by

(27) p53 (R),

Board, in its Proceedings R.No.413 Abk., dated 3rd May-1915. therefore, support the Inspector's recommendation and request that early orders may be passed and communicated to me so that the six months' Gazette notice required by para 46 (1) of the Excise Manual may be issued in time. p1 c.g. no 801 w p136 y Ex manl

Your obedient servant,

For Collector.
7.8.24

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Letter-from M.R.Ry. Rao Sahib S. Ramachandra Rao, Avl., M.A.,
Inspector of Excise, Udipi.
To-the Collector of South Kanara, Mangalore.
Dated-13th July 1924.
No.-C.R.No.485.. . .

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Submitting proposals for 25-26 for the opening, closing and reallocation of arrack, opium and ganja shops in Udipi Circle.

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3. As regards Ganja shops, I solicit a reference to this office D.Dis.378/24 dated 14th July 1923 wherein my predecessor had strongly pleaded for the opening of a new ganja shop at Mudabidri. There is a fair number of consumers of ganja in Mudabidri and it is not unlikely that there is clandestine vend of the stuff ------ purchased in small quantities from Karkal.

4. There is no ganja shop anywhere in the two ranges of Mudabidri and Venur. Consumers from the border of the Beltangadi Deputy Tahsildar's jurisdiction might get the stuff from --------- Beltangadi, but those who live far away from Beltangadi are ---- seriously handicapped in the matter of supply. During the rainy weather, there are ever so many rivers and streams to cross on the way to Karkal from the Venur range. The absence of a ganja shop at Mudabidri may drive the consumers to illicit dealings and may stimulate speculators to indulge in clandestine vend.

5. The maximum limit of possession of 5 tolas of ganja is wide enough to operate as a drawback in the detection of cases of 'possession'. Actual sales are difficult to prove, as they ar

conducted in the dark. Further, I have reasons to believe that consumers of Karkal, Udipi and Coondapoor Taluks who have been in touch with the Ghats have a special eye on the Mysore stuff which they consider as superior to Madras ganja. People coming from the Ghats smuggle Mysore ganja for their personal use, the chief gates being Hosangadi of Coondapoor Taluk and Someshwar of Karkal Taluk. It is also highly probable that there is a ------ regular syndicate which has taken to smuggling as a profession. Two cases have been detected at the Hosangadi border and at ----- Gangolly within the last few days, and the accused in both cases have stated before me that they purchased Mysore ganja at 10 annas a tola. for its superior quality. I am personally on the look out for cases of clandestine transactions of both the licit and the illicit stuff and I have no doubt the Sub Inspectors will --- co-operate with me to enable me to open the way to licit -------- dealings in licit ganja. A vigorous campaign may put down ----- smuggling at no distant date. It cannot, however, afford relief to the consumers of Mudabidri and Venur ranges of Karkal Taluk. A shop, if opened at Mudabidri would exercise a potent influence on consumers and wean them from the illicit transactions, if any, in which they might now indulge out of sheer necessity. The ---- opening of a ganja shop at Mudabidri, cannot, I submit, be too strongly advocated, as ganja is much in request in and around --- Mudabidri.

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Letter-from M.R.Ry. P. A. Pisharoti, Avl., B.A.,
Inspector of Salt, & Abkari Revenue, Udipi Circle.
To-the Collector of South Kanara through the Assistant Commissioner, Salt & Abkari Revenue, West Coast Sub Division.
Dated-Udipi, 14th July 1923.
No.-D.Dis.378/23.

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2. Ganja shops: There are 7 ganja shops in this circle and no change is recommended with regard to the location of these shops. A new ganja shop may be opened in Mudabidri frc the beginning of the next lease. There is considerable demand for the drug in the locality itself and in the surrounding -----

villages of Puttige, and Belvai and the opening of a new shop there has become a necessity - please vide Collector's -------- Proceedings R.O.C.4338/22-V4, dated 11th December 1922. A ---- proposal on this subject has already been made to the Tahsildar, Karkal in this office D.Dis.No.300/23, dated 29th May 1923, in -- reply to his reference No.R.O.C.2504/22, Sup 23, dated 19th May - 1923.

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OFFICE NOTE.

SUBJECT Ganja Shop – Opening – S. Kanara dt.

From The Coll.r of S. Kanara.

C Register No. 4979 9/24.

At the instance of the Insp.r Udipi Circle, the Coll.r of S. Kanara recommends that a ganja shop may be opened at Mulvanbor. in the Karkal Taluk. The Coll.r states that the Ac. supports the recommendat.n.

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The Insp.r strongly recommends the opening of the shop at the place. He states that there is considerable demand for the drug in this place and the consumers are handicapped in the matter of supply of ganja especially in the raing season as the nearest shop from the place is 10 miles off. It is stated that there is much scope for smuggling of mysore ganja and the absence of a shop in the locality may lead the consumers to illicit dealings.

Vide letter pp 2-5 C

There was a shop at this place till 1.4.15

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At the instance of Govt. all Shops whose rentals were less than Rs 360 per annum were abolished from 1.4.15. The shop at Muduvan was one of the shops so closed. The maximum number of shops fixed for the district is 20. The present number is only 16.

From the General Information book of the Uthp. Circle it is seen that Muduvan is a place of large trade and also that muduvan is an important village.

~~For note~~ The shop was closed because its rental then was below Rs 360 p.a. There are shops here in some div with rentals far below Rs 500 p.a. So the old reasons does not hold good here. The reopening of the shop may be sanctioned. For orders.

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S.M 20/8/24

It may be reopened tentatively for a year

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To

THE

Proceedings

The Commissioner —

Sanctions the reopening of the Ganja shop at Mudabidri tentatively for a year from 1.4.25

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